## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Ş

APPLICANT: Alfred E. KELLER 8 ş SERIAL NO.: 09/625,710

FILED:

July 25, 2000

FOR:

Process for Producing Syngas

δ Reactor Using Catalytic Partial Oxidation of Hydrogen Sulfide §

In A Short Contact Time

Hydrogen Sulfide

GROUP ART UNIT: 1764

EXAMINER: Douglas W. Rudnick

Atty. Dkt. No.: 1856-00301 (98/003)

Date: April 3, 2003

Carlo Carlo Title

## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 17, 2002

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicant acknowledges receipt of the Office Action dated December 17, 2002, and in reply submits the following amendments and remarks. The format of this Amendment and Response is in accordance with the USPTO Notice dated January 31, 2003 entitled "Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted."

97071.01/1856-00301